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Neural Precursor Cells, Method for

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Neural Defect Therapy

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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on February 26, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 10 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.

Conclusions begin on page 22 of this paper.

An Appendix including a reference referred to in this response is attached following page 21 of this paper.

Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows.